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the same angle to the central annular channel 1. The external and internal channels 120, 130 communicate with the central annular channel 1 in approximately the same radial plane. Also, the external and internal channels 12, 13 similarly communicate with the central annular channel 1. The internal 13, 130 and external 12, 120 melt feed channels are substantially concentrically spaced around the central annular channel 1. The bottom grooves with the greatest depth are fed by the melt feeding channels 15, 16.

Mounted on the top conical rings 9, 11 are top outside and inside holding rings 17, 18 between which the central annular channel 1 is defined with an annular outlet slit 19. An easy method for assembling the blown film die head together with the bottom cover 2 is to connect the top holding rings 17, 18 with tightening screws.—

IN THE CLAIMS:

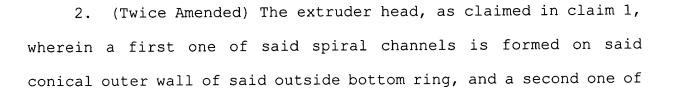
Please cancel claim 10 without prejudice or disclaimer and amend claims 1-8 to read as follows:

1. (Thrice Amended) An extruder die head, comprising a central annular channel defined by an inside wall and an outside wall, which is provided with an annular outlet die slit, and into said inside and outside walls empty internal and external annular



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slits, respectively, which feed polymer melts and which form smaller diameter openings of truncated channels, formed between internal and external shells of stacked, conical insert members, said annular slits feeding said polymer melts from said truncated channels into said inside and outside walls defining said central annular channel, and said internal and external shells of said conical insert members, respectively, having mating interior and mating exterior conical surfaces which define two counter rotating spiral channels, whose depths taper off in a direction of said annular outlet die slit, said conical insert members including an inside bottom ring and an outside bottom ring, said inside bottom ring having a cylindrical outer wall and a conical inner wall, and said outside bottom ring having a cylindrical inner wall and a conical outer wall, said cylindrical walls being in abutment to define therebetween a feed channel communicating with said central annular channel, and said inside bottom ring and said outside bottom ring having a generally triangular cross-section.





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said spiral channels is formed on said conical inner wall of said inside bottom ring.

3. (Thrice Amended) The extruder head, as claimed in claim 1, wherein corresponding pairs of said internal and external annular slits lie in a same radial plane.

- 4. (Four Times Amended) The extruder head, as claimed in claim 1, wherein said spiral channels further include spiral grooves on said cylindrical outer wall of said inside bottom ring.
- 5. (Twice Amended) A blown film head comprising a plurality of internal and external stacked insert members which define a central annular channel having inner and outer walls, adjacently stacked internal insert members having mating interior and exterior conical surfaces which form internal truncated conical channels spaced around said central annular channel, and adjacently stacked external insert members having mating interior and exterior conical surfaces which form external truncated conical channels spaced around said central annular channel, each of said internal and external truncated conical channels having a respective plurality of spiral grooves and communicating with said central

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annular channel to cause polymer melts in said truncated conical channels to empty into said central annular channel to produce multilayered tubes of thermoplastic material, at least one external insert member being in radial alignment with a corresponding internal insert member and respective spiral grooves of said aligned external and internal insert members being counterrotating.

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- 6. (Twice Amended) The blown film head as claimed in claim 5, wherein said internal truncated conical channels and said external truncated conical channels slope in opposite directions at approximately a same angle to said central annular channel.
- 7. (Amended) The blown film head as claimed in claim 5, wherein said internal and external truncated conical channels are all in corresponding pairs such that each pair communicates with said central annular channel in approximately a same radial plane, respectively.



8. (Amended) The blown film head as claimed in claim 5, wherein a depth of each of said spiral grooves tapers off in a direction toward said central annular channel.

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Please and the following claims:

 $-\sqrt{11}$. An extruder die head, comprising:

a plurality of external conical insert members stacked upon one another to form an outside wall, mating surfaces of adjacent external conical insert members forming outer truncated conical melt feed channels that feed polymer melts emptying into said outside wall;

a plurality of internal conical insert members stacked upon one another to form an inside wall, mating surfaces of adjacent internal conical insert members forming inner truncated conical melt feed channels that feed polymer melts emptying into said inside wall;

said inside wall and said outside wall defining therebetween a central annular channel opening into an annular outlet die slit;

said plurality of internal conical insert members including an inside bottom ring having a cylindrical outer wall and a conical inner wall, said cylindrical and conical walls having first and second spiral grooves therein, respectively; and

said plurality of external conical insert members including an outside bottom ring having a cylindrical inner wall and a conical outer wall having third spiral grooves therein that

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counter-rotate with said second spiral grooves, said cylindrical inner wall in abutment with said cylindrical outer wall of said inside bottom ring to define a feed channel therebetween in communication with said central annular channel.

12. The extruder die head as claimed in claim 11, wherein said plurality of external conical insert members and said plurality of internal conical insert members are in alignment to form corresponding pairs, each corresponding pair lying in a common radial plane, respectively.

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- 13. The extruder die head as claimed in claim 11, wherein said internal truncated conical channels and said external truncated conical channels slope in opposite directions at approximately a same angle to said central annular channel.
- 14. The extruder die head as claimed in claim 11, wherein a depth of said first, second and third spiral grooves tapers off in a direction toward said central annular channel.
- 15. The extruder die head as claimed in claim 11, wherein said internal and external truncated conical channels are

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substantially concentrically spaced around said central annular channel.

16. The extruder die head as claimed in claim 11, wherein said mating surfaces of said adjacent external conical insert members and said mating surfaces of said adjacent internal conical insert members include spiral grooves.

17. The extruder die head as claimed in claim 11, wherein said inside and outside bottom rings have a triangular cross-

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